WMD PREVENTION AND PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 5498, WMD Prevention and Preparedness Act of 2010. Testimony was heard from Sara T. Beatrice, Assistant Commissioner, Public Health Laboratory Director, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, City of New York; and public witnesses.

DISCRIMINATORY STATE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL TAXES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 4175, End Discriminatory State Taxes for Automobile Renters Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Representative Boucher; and public witnesses.

ANTITRUST ROLE IN REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy held a hearing on Is There Life After Trinko and Credit Suisse?: The Role of Antitrust in Regulated Industries. Testimony was heard from Howard A. Shelanski, Deputy Director, Antitrust, Bureau of Economics, FTC; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL IN GULF OF MEXICO

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife continued oversight hearings on the Deepwater oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, with emphasis on Ocean Science and Data Limits in a Time of Crisis: Do NOAA and the Fish and Wildlife Service Have the Resources to Respond? Testimony was heard from David Kennedy, Acting Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Marcia McNutt, Director, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Jonathan A. Coddington, Associate Director, Research and Collections, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue June 24.

LEAD EXPOSURE IN D.C.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing entitled "Lead Exposure in D.C.: Prevention, Protection, and Potential Prescriptions." Testimony was heard from Ileana Arias, Principal Deputy Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services; Thomas Jacobus, General Manager, Washington Aqueduct Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense; the following officials of the District of Columbia: George Hawkins, General Manager, Water and Sewer Authority; and Christophe A.G. Tulou, Acting Director, Department of the Environment; and a public witness.

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on the State of the Veterans Benefits Administration. Testimony was heard from Michael Walcoff, Acting Under Secretary, Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

REDUCING MEDICARE FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight held a joint hearing on reducing fraud, waste, and abuse in Medicare. Testimony was heard from Representatives Roskam, Klein of Florida, Ros-Lehtinen, and Murphy of New York; Edward N. Siskel, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lewis Morris, Chief Counsel, Office of Inspector General; and Kimberly Brandt, Director, Medicare Program Integrity, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and Kathleen M. King, Director, Health Care, GAO.

REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES MODERNIZATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on tax simplification proposals impacting regulated investment companies, with emphasis on H.R. 4337, Regulated Investment Company Modernization Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BRIEFING—NATIONAL COUNTERTERRORISM CENTER GLOBAL

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on National Counterterrorism Center Global. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

RESTORING AMERICAN FINANCIAL STABILITY ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4173, to promote the financial stability of the United States